

Pending nominations, Nos. 394, 395, 396, were read, and the Society adjourned.

*Stated Meeting, January 20, 1860.*

Present, twenty-four members.

Dr. GEORGE B. WOOD, President, in the Chair.

Letters were received from the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, dated Philadelphia, January 16, 1860, acknowledging the reception of No. 62 of the Proceedings.

The following donations for the Library were announced:—

Journ. Franklin Inst. for Jan., 1860, No. 409.—*From the Institute.*

African Repository, for Jan., 1860.—*From the Am. Col. Soc.*

Numerical Relations of Elements, by M. Carey Lea. Part 1. (16 pp. 4to.) Philadelphia, 1860.—*From the Author.*

A paper, entitled “*Experientiæ præcedentes*, by William Sharswood,” was presented for publication in the Transactions, and referred to Dr. Bache, Prof. Booth, and Dr. Uhler.

J. P. Lesley was elected Librarian for the ensuing year.

The Standing Committees were appointed, as follows:—

*On Finance.*—Mr. Fraley, Mr. Justice, Mr. J. F. James.

*On Publication.*—Dr. Bridges, Mr. T. P. James, Dr. Hartshorne, Prof. Coppeé, Dr. Wister.

*On the Hall.*—Mr. Peale, Judge King, Prof. Coppeé.

*On the Library.*—Mr. Ord, Dr. Bell, Dr. Stevens, Dr. Coates, Mr. Foulke.

The list of surviving members was read and corrected. The number on the list on the 1st of January, 1860, was 374  
Of whom are resident in the United States, . . . 282  
And in foreign countries, . . . . . 92

On motion of Judge King, the Secretaries were directed to report to the Society the names of such members as appear to have lost the right of membership.

The Society then proceeded to ballot for candidates for membership.

New nomination, No. 397, was read.

Prof. Trego, Judge King, and Mr. Price were appointed a committee on the subject of a telescope now in the State Library at Harrisburg, reported to be the one ordered for the Transit of Venus in 1769.

All other business having been concluded, the ballot-boxes were opened by the President, and the following named gentlemen declared duly elected members of the Society.

P. ANGELO SECCHI, Professor of Astronomy at Rome.

AUBREY H. SMITH, Attorney-at-Law, of Philadelphia.

Dr. FRANCIS W. LEWIS, of Philadelphia.

And the Society was adjourned.

*Stated Meeting, February 3, 1860.*

Present, nineteen members.

Dr. GEORGE B. WOOD, President, in the Chair.

A letter was received from Aubrey H. Smith, acknowledging notice of his election.

Letters were received from the Director of the Russian Observatory, dated St. Petersburg, August 30, 1859, from the Royal Danish Society, dated Copenhagen, July 1, 1859, and from the Corporation of Harvard College, dated Cambridge, January 16, 1860, acknowledging copies of the Proceedings.

Letters were received from the Society of Naturalists at Moscow, dated June 13, 1859, from the Director of the Central Observatory, dated St. Petersburg, August 30, 1859, and from the Royal Bavarian Academy, dated München, October 1, 1859, transmitting donations for this Library.

The following donations for the Library were announced :—

*Annales des Mines*, xv, 1, 2 ls. de 1859.—*From B. des Ponts, &c.*  
*Bulletin S. Imp. Naturalistes*. Moscow. No. 4, 1, 2, 3.—*From the Society.*